

Telehealth Symposium 2/23/15 Call for Ideas and Presentations

Telehealth services are rapidly expanding in our state and are defined as the use of remote healthcare technology to deliver clinical services. The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies, Division of Professions and Occupations, will host a Telehealth Symposium for Board members engaged in the regulation of licensed healthcare professionals, including physicians, nurses, pharmacists, mental health professionals, and others.

Location: Department of Regulatory Agencies

1560 Broadway, Denver

Date: Monday, February 23, 2015

The purpose of the Telehealth Symposium is to identify and address the issues most relevant to regulating healthcare professionals engaged in providing services via Colorado's telehealth systems. Board members attending will review and evaluate how changes in service delivery and technological advances impact licensing regulation and consumer protection.

As telehealth continues to play a larger role in Colorado's healthcare delivery system, the Division's Regulatory Boards and Programs would like to more fully understand what telehealth includes, how it works, what problems it can solve, how privacy and security is protected, how it is paid for or reimbursed, and how professional licensing regulation impacts this form of service delivery.

This Call for Ideas and Presentations seeks to collect information and proposals from key stakeholders and experts who can speak to the above issues related to the regulation of professionals engaged in telehealth. The information submitted will help shape the Symposium's agenda. Tentatively, the Symposium will feature two areas of telehealth: direct-to-consumer services, and practitioner-to-practitioner consultations.

All interested presenters and stakeholders are encouraged to <u>respond to this Call by Friday</u>, <u>January 23, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.</u> Responses should be e-mailed to Jo Donlin, Senior Advisor to the Division's Deputy Director for Healthcare, at <u>jo.donlin@state.co.us</u>. Please limit any proposals or statements of interest to one-page in length. (Materials submitted for reference only are not limited in page length.)

Please note that proposals should refrain from endorsing specific products or companies. While the Division anticipates that presenters at the Symposium will share best practices based on practical experiences, under no circumstance should the Symposium be used as a forum for

direct promotion of a speaker's product or service, or for monetary self--interest. There is no honorarium for the Telehealth Symposium, and presenters will be expected to cover their own expenses.

Proposals will be selected based on applicability to the topic. The Division will ensure the Symposium includes a diversity of views and experiences in the field. As the Symposium will also include time for Board members to work together across professions, the Division does not anticipate being able to select more than 5-10 proposals. The Division will notify selected presenters by 5:00 p.m, Wednesday, February 4, 2015.

The Telehealth Symposium will be open to the public, but seating will be limited. DORA's Division of Professions and Occupations thanks you in advance for your interest.